

FINANCIAL AND COMMERICAL.

On Change to-day cotton was firm and fairly active. Wheat was quiet and steady. GOLD 110 1/4.

The cases which have been long operating for a lower price in gold, but the influence of which had been checked by the overall condition of the market and the high borrowing rates for cash gold, asserted themselves quite potently to-day and produced a decline to 110 1/4, which is the lowest since the 7th of July, 1869 - a period of over eight years.

There were twenty-eight offers at the Sub-Treasury at noon to sell bonds to the government, the proposed purchase of a million eliciting offerings to the extent of \$5,000,000. The award was not made until quite late this afternoon, when the odd lot of \$1,777,000 was accepted, the excess above the million being paid for the reinvestment of the sinking fund gold sold yesterday.

The decline in gold, by diminishing the value of the coin interest on government bonds, rendered the market for them weak, and produced a corresponding decline in price. The decline was more marked in the five-twenties than in the ten-forties, which latter were comparatively steady.

The money market was dull of the spasmodic irregularity noticed the past few days, and worked easily at four to five per cent on governments and at five to six per cent on stocks. The discount market was without essential change.

Foreign exchange was lower and dull on the basis of 10 1/2 for prime bankers' sixty day sterling. One of the Canadian banks was drawing at a sixteenth less than this rate.

The prospect of peace in Europe, the advance in American securities in London, the ease in money, the decline in gold, and the adoption by the leading railways of a harmonious and higher tariff of passenger fares to the West started a sharp advance this afternoon in the stock market, and produced considerable activity at the advance, and produced a considerable buoyancy at the highest prices of the day.

The following shows the highest and lowest prices of the leading stocks during the day:

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes entries like New York Central, Erie, and various other railroads.

The Southern list was generally steady, except for the Virginia, which was strong and in sharp demand for all contracts. There they are in great request. Their price advanced to 98 1/2 for old bonds and 96 for the new, from which there was a reaction of about one per cent at the close.

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